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ANNUAL LEAGUE MEETING IN NEW YORK WEDNESDAY

Washington Club to Be Represented by Noyes and McAleer—Local Boss Prepared to Make Trades.

By WILLIAM PEET.

Manager James A. McAleer and President Thomas C. Noyes will represent the Washington baseball club at the annual meeting of the American League, which convenes at the Hotel Wolcott, New York, next Wednesday morning.

McAleer goes prepared to pull off a number of trades for the purpose of strengthening the Nationals next season, and for the first time in several years the Washington club has considerable material for swapping purposes.

There is a possibility that both Bob Groom and Gabby Street may figure in some sort of a deal, as it is understood that McAleer is willing to part with them providing he can see where his club will be strengthened.

Bob Ungaugh is also on the market, but Sir Robert is not a desirable citizen in the minds of the American League club owners, and unless one of the Class A teams can use him and will offer the proper inducements, Ungaugh will likely go to Atlanta next spring.

While McAleer will be on the job to talk trade with any of the magnates, the chances are that he will find it hard shelling to pull off anything, for the reason that the local boss, with his well-earned reputation of "the David Harrow of baseball," is looked upon with slight suspicion by other big league moguls. McAleer has never yet been known to get the worst of a baseball trade.

On the other hand, it is a well-known fact that McAleer will bid as high as any manager for the player he wants, and if it is a question of money, the Washington club will back him up in any proposition he submits.

Manager McAleer will go direct to New York from his home in Youngstown. He will meet President Noyes Tuesday night, and affairs pertaining to the local club with prospective trades will be discussed then, so there is little chance of McAleer's returning to Washington after the meeting adjourns.

Whether McAleer pulls off any trades or not, there will be plenty of real baseball news for the hungry fans, as the local boss has kept in touch with all of his players since the season closed and can vouchsafe much information of interest.

Although President Johnson has announced that the American League meeting will be short and sweet, it is understood that the younger organization is ready to advocate a change in the playing rules calculated to increase batting. The American League men never advocated the foul strike rule adopted by the National League in 1902, but they were forced to accept the rule in the interest of harmony, and in obedience to the provisions of the national agreement.

But Johnson and his friends, after a careful study of existing conditions, believe that the pitchers have become too effective, and that something should be done in the way of rule making to help the wielder of the wagon tongue. Accordingly, the American League, it is understood, is a strong advocate of either one or two changes.

The league will vote in favor of the proposition to reduce the number of called balls from four to three, or to increase the number of strikes from three to four, either rule being calculated to increase the hitting by curtailing the power of the boxmen. But before these changes can be made in the playing rules, the consent of the National League must be obtained, and that, of course, means serious friction.

Aside from the desirable rule changes the American League men say they will transact very little business of importance. No funds exist among them and the utmost magnanimity prevails. Johnson is the master, and his leadership is undisputed. In that lies the unequalled success of this thriving organization.

To Rebuild the Browns.
There's one other point, however, that may cause some discussion among the American League men—the St. Louis club's wrecked team and how to rebuild it. President Hedges has had a disastrous season directly due to the loss of James McAleer as manager of the Browns. He has released Jack O'Connor, McAleer's successor, and has not yet named a man to take charge of his players. Having succeeded in bolstering up the Washington club, Johnson is thinking a lot as to the best policy to pursue in St. Louis with the same end in view, and before the week ends it is believed that Hedges will have secured a new team leader together with some new players.

The player question is likely to interest both leagues. The Highlanders will stand pat, no doubt. Chase believes he cannot improve much on the present make-up. It is generally believed that the owners of the Boston Red Sox, Chicago Cubs, both St. Louis teams, the Boston Nationals, and the Detroit will come prepared to trade players, but whether they can accomplish anything or not remains to be seen. Players who were willing to leave their old employ for the Fletcher organization are said to be in disfavor, and some of them may be shifted to other clubs. The magnates knew that dissatisfied ball players cannot perform the desired results and that it is best to replace them with more willing workers.

Eastern League Presidency.
The Eastern League, which is the most powerful minor organization in existence, will try to elect a new president to succeed the veteran Patrick T. Powers, who has devoted twenty years or more in promoting this prosperous circuit. If Powers should decline at the last moment to make a fight for re-election, he would be well backed by the betting fraternity, as he always has bobbed up serenely with a sufficient number of votes in times past when opposition to him seemed strongest. A week ago Powers had no idea of running for office again. The National League, as usual, will afford many chances for the fans to take a peek at the inside machinery that runs the nation's pastime. The magnates have been quietly pulling wires for some time, but from all accounts there is the same old lack of harmony.

Thomas J. Lynch, who was elected president last winter and has made good, cannot say just now whether he will be chosen again or not. Lynch thinks he will be re-elected, but he will not make a prediction. He has been familiar with National League methods for many years, and knows well enough that nothing in the old body is sure. Lynch would relish a re-election for a term of three or five years, in view of the fact that the American League men have chosen Ban Johnson to head them for twenty years. But Lynch does not believe there will be any such good luck.

Before John T. Brush, of the New York club, left for winter quarters in Texas, he authorized his representatives to attend the league meeting, to vote for Lynch, also for a term of five years. Brush made Lynch president a year ago and was well satisfied with his administration. August Herrmann, of the Cincinnati club, will vote for Lynch and for Lynch, also for a term of five years. Brush made Lynch president a year ago and was well satisfied with his administration. August Herrmann, of the Cincinnati club, will vote for Lynch and for Lynch, also for a term of five years.

Opposition to Lynch.
Meanwhile there seems to be a determined opposition to Lynch on the part of Charles Ebbets, of the Brooklyn club; C. W. Murphy, of the Chicago club, and Horace Fogel, of the Philadelphia club.

Ebbets wanted John M. Ward to run for the office, but Ward declined in the shape of a formal letter to Lynch, stating that he would not again be a candidate. Ebbets was fined \$50 by Lynch for breaking the rules regarding the engagement and release of players last spring, and he has been smarting under the penalty ever since. Murphy has been on several occasions by the national commission, of which Lynch is a member, and has also raised an outcry against the umpires under Lynch's management. Fogel unconsciously has raised a laugh by alleging that Lynch should fire Umpire William Klein, the best judge of play on the league's staff. As Fogel votes in accordance with Murphy's views, he was counted on as an anti-Lynch man some time ago.

Stanley Robinson, of the St. Louis club, who could have elected Ward to the presidency last winter by his solitary vote, regardless of Ban Johnson's threats, will vote in a similar manner any attempt to take away his old job as scheduled maker for the purpose of investing the league's president with that responsibility.

May Hold Up Re-election.
By deadlock the league on the schedule problem Ebbets, Murphy, and company believe they can hold up the re-election of Lynch in such a manner that the latter's supporters will agree to a compromise as to the arrangement of new playing dates. If Robinson sides with them and the vote of the new Boston owners can be won over, it is evident that the latter's supporters will agree to a compromise as to the arrangement of new playing dates. If Robinson sides with them and the vote of the new Boston owners can be won over, it is evident that the latter's supporters will agree to a compromise as to the arrangement of new playing dates.

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WILL REPRESENT NATIONALS AT MEETING.



PRESIDENT THOMAS C. NOYES.



MANAGER JIM MCALEER.

AGGIES ANNOUNCE BASEBALL DATES

Season Opens Late in March with Gallaudet.

PROSPECTS BRIGHTEST EVER

Coach Graason Has Likely Looking Squad on Which to Work, and if Pitching Staff Comes Up to Expectations Predicts Championship of Maryland—Other M. A. C. Sports.

Special to The Washington Herald.

College Park, Dec. 10.—The athletic council of the Maryland Agricultural College has just approved the 1911 baseball schedule, arranged by Manager Devilbiss. The schedule is an unusually ambitious one, and includes a trip to Virginia for games with the Staunton Military Academy, Washington and Lee, and Virginia Military Institute. The initial game of the season is scheduled with Gallaudet College at Kendall

Blind, one of the star football players, who came this year from the Atlantic City High School, will probably make a position on the team in one of the outer-gardens, while Branham is another likely candidate for an outfield position. P. Goeltz is one of the last year's team who returned to the college and he will probably be played at third base. Mudd, another last year's man, will be seen at the initial sack, and Lednam will again be played at the second cushion. Ned Lednam and Furnis are likely candidates for outfield jobs.

The college lost three valuable men in Burns, Saunders, and Cole. The death of Burns' father necessitating his leaving college, Saunders has a position in the Agricultural Department at Washington, and Cole is attending the Randolph-Macon College. Ritter, of Charles County, Md., and who played the second base for the team at La Plata last summer, is another new man who may be heard from.

Next year there will be no intercollegiate series of games, but the Aggies are scheduled to play all the big colleges of the State, with the exception of Johns Hopkins. Coach Graason is confident that his team will win a sufficient number of its games from these clubs to establish the superiority of the Maryland Agricultural College team. He believes he has the basis for one of the best teams the college ever had, and if his pitching staff comes anywhere near to perfection he anticipates few defeats. Coach Graason will have the candidates in the gymnasium early in February.

At a meeting of the athletic council early this week Capt. Kemp, of the 1910 football team, was elected manager of the track team for 1911. Last year's relay team was the fastest in the history of the college, and it was never defeated. Both Adams and Munson graduated last year, leaving two members of the team, Duckett and Morris. They will form a part of the team, and the other two men will probably be selected from Kemp, Branch, Munickhyen, Ribert, and Greenberg. All these men are fast, and the prediction is made that it will be a difficult matter to decide among them.

Football Men Awarded.

The athletic council, composed of five student members, four faculty members, managers of the different teams, and President Lindsey Silverster, of the athletic association, has awarded "M's" to the following members of the 1910 football team: Shipley, Binder, Duckett, Trax, Munnickhyen, Branch, Andrews, Posey, Mudd, Koehler, Woodward, Williams, and Kemp, and, in addition, stars to Shipley, Trax, Andrews, Posey Mudd, Koehler, and Kemp, these latter having played on the team two consecutive years.

A. N. Woodward has been selected as manager of the basketball team, and is arranging a schedule of games. He has not announced the names of the men who will compose the team.

Tinker Picks a Live One.

Joe Tinker is acting as scout for the Cubs. His vaudeville act is booked for a tour of the West, and while Joseph is not performing on the stage he spends much of his spare time looking up promising recruits.

Tinker has already found a young pitcher who hibernates in the vicinity of Kansas City and has recommended him to Murphy.

The name of the new twirler is Ernest Noyes. Joe believes that he has the ability to become a star twirler for the Cubs.

Ebbets Makes Short Reply.

When asked who would be the next league president, the Brooklyn club owner, Charles Ebbets, said: "I am thinking more about what position the Superbas will occupy in 1911 than I am about who will be president of the National League during next season."

Likely Looking Twirlers.

The team next year will have a likely string of pitchers in Hoffeker, Duckett, Smith, A. Goeltz, and Wright. Hoffeker

HOPKINS WILL PLAY GEORGETOWN ELEVEN

Baltimore, Dec. 10.—Although the Johns Hopkins football season is scarcely over, Manager Haynes and the advisory committee are already hard at work upon next year's schedule. Every indication points to a very different and much harder schedule for next fall.

No games as yet have been definitely settled upon, but the management is in communication with several teams of greater strength than the average played during the past season.

Georgetown is very anxious to play the Black and Blue team. It has already offered the local institution a date, and there is every reason to believe that the contract will be signed in a few days. The Carlisle Indians wish to play the Black and Blue team at Homewood again. Haverford desires to come to Baltimore, and has submitted two dates to Manager Haynes. The Quakers desire to play here on either the second or last Saturday in November.

ROOT AND MORAN WIN BIG CONTEST

Capture Six-day Bicycle Race by Inches Only.

New York, Dec. 10.—Root and Moran won the eighteenth annual six-day cycle team race that ended in Madison Square Garden to-night. Eddie Root leading all during the final early sprint, and defeating Jack Clarke by six inches. Second place went to the reconstructed team of Rutt and Clarke. Third place went to the Fogler and Hill team, fourth place to Hehr and Goulet. The final score of the leaders was 2,545 miles 3 laps.

W. W. Mitten and Lloyd Thomas won fifth prize, with a score of 2,245 miles, 2 laps, one lap behind the four leaders. West and Demare won sixth prize, with a final score of 2,245 miles, 1 lap, two laps behind the leaders. Cameron and Halstead won seventh prize, with 2,245 miles, three laps behind the leaders.

WILL ROW NAVY EIGHT.

Columbia Crew to Race at Annapolis on May 13.

The Columbia crew management has scheduled a dual meet with the Navy on the Severn on May 13. A second crew will not be sent to Annapolis, and the first boats will race over a two-mile course. The directors of the Columbia Rowing Club have also announced that the second varsity and freshman boats have been entered in the American Henley at Philadelphia on May 20.

Negotiations are under way for a race with Harvard, and Princeton may be asked to enter into an intercollegiate contest on the water.

Frederick Coykendall, an alumnus, has given the management \$400 to be used in the purchase of a new eight-oared shell. Also a new four-oared shell will be built and put in commission for next spring.

CRACK DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL STARS—No. 5.

Allan F. Garner, son of J. W. Garner, of Falls Church, Va., is one of Western High School's best athletes. He has made a name for himself, both in athletics and studies. Garner was captain of the football team that disbanded this season and



GARNER.

had missed a flying tackle. Garner has won his letter in football four times, and had he not gone back in his studies, he would have won the coveted letter in baseball.

GEORGETOWN LOOKS FOR CRACK CREW NEXT YEAR

Candidates to Report for 'Varsity and Prep Squads When Christmas Holidays Close.

There is little doing in athletics at Georgetown just now, everything being in contemplation of future work, except for the basket-ball team.

Immediately after the Christmas vacation the crew men will take to the rowing machines, a grind that will last until the Potomac River has its annual spring thawing. Then the boys will shift their lockers to the boathouse and begin the last and longest lap of their work.

It will be the endeavor and ambition of coach and crew to produce an eight that will be fitted for entry at Poughkeepsie and thus toe the mark with America's best crews. This they will have in mind during the tedious work at the machines and during the hot afternoons on the river.

The leader of the crew is Mike Cuniff, a man who for the past five years has affiliated himself with rowing and football at Georgetown, both in the Prep and College. His great work on the gridiron for the past season will not be quickly forgotten. Being a starboard man, he ought to make a big bid for stroke. He has a most capable assistant in Manager Vincent Dailey. This later could hardly need an introduction to Georgetown enthusiasts; suffice to say that he is the same "Fighting" Dailey, captain of Georgetown's great football team. With Dailey as manager, the crew will be a success. Dailey will work hard to again put Georgetown on the crew map of the country.

To say the least, the work of last year was promising. In the American Henley Georgetown was barely beaten by Harvard in a two-mile race. Had the distance been fifty yards farther, Harvard would have trailed them. Coach Pat

Dempsey had taken a green crew and turned out eight which gave signs of much ability and knowledge. He has again been engaged as coach and is positive of a winner next spring.

For a nucleus he has seven men of last year's eight—Carr, stroke; Stohman, No. 6; Coultry, No. 5; Crosby, No. 4; Power, No. 3; Cuniff, No. 2; Dailey, No. 1. Then of the first squad men there are Langdon, Joliat, and Fitzgerald. Two husky boys, who will be strong candidates for regattas, will be Brady, captain of last year's prep crew, and Hawkins, who rowed No. 7. All of these men are the known candidates, but when the call is made, there are sure to appear some dark horses. Walsh, the football star, stroked the New York Athletic Club four last year, and thus it is hard to see where he can be kept off.

The Preps will also take to the machines after the Christmas holidays, and Coach Dempsey will endeavor to develop a crack Prep eight along the same lines as the "varsity."

The prospects for the Preps are very bright this year, although only three men of last year's powerful crew will report to Capt. Dailey for machine practice. The veterans are Capt. Dailey, Jones, and Larkin.

There is a wealth of new crew material at the school this year, and several good oarsmen should be developed from the football team alone. Fred Carl, Hawkins, Stahl, Marum, and Golden have signified their intention of trying for seats and as these are all husky men, a hot contest for positions should result.

Manager Rodriguez has made arrangements for the entry of Georgetown in the scholastic race in the American Henley at Philadelphia this spring.

The Preps lost this race last year and therefore will try doubly hard to retrieve themselves.

SHORT LENGTHS

Fast double play (Xmas League)—Dollars to Stores to Presents.

Manager Hugh Jennings states positively that he will engage in matrimony during the month of January. Exact date has not been fixed, at least, for publication.

Mathewson and M. Brown finished more games than any other pitchers in the National League. Each pitched twenty-seven full contests.

"Wallace is not for trade," says Magnate Hedges, which is a pretty good sign that the Scot has been chosen officially to boss the Browns in 1911.

Over in Canada they have fixed the salary limit for hockey players at \$5,000 per season, which is a tidy little sum.

A Montreal man has offered \$25,000 for a finish wrestling match between Haskell and Frank Gotch. Haskell says he's willing, but Gotch maintains a dignified and reluctant silence as betrays all pugilistic and wrestling champions.

Horace Fogel, Philadelphia National president, declares he will get Umpire Klein's scalp. Removing forelocks seems to be the chief pastime of National magnates.

RETAIN THE TITLE

Washington Whisters Trim Baltimore Cracks.

TULLOCH AND EYNON SHINE

District Players Keep Silver Trophy Cup They Won Last Decoration Day—Southern Association Meets in Capital May, 1911—Serve Buffet Luncheon During Intermission.

Last evening at the Commercial Club was held a match of great interest to the local devotees of the game of whist. A team of twelve men representing the Baltimore Whist Club met in challenge play a team of local whists to decide the possession of the silver trophy cup, which since last Decoration Day, has been the source of well-merited pride on the part of the twelve local players who won it on that day in a contest with the strongest teams from Baltimore, Norfolk, and Richmond. The clubs of the four cities named compose the Southern Whist Association, and at their next annual meeting, in May, 1911, in this city, will be the greatest gathering of whist players ever held in this locality.

Baltimore turned out last night what was unquestionably the strongest twelve-man team ever playing together for one club. The names of Messrs. Harvey and Kent McCay, Wilbur and Beverley Smith, McElldowney, George Thomas, and Tom Johnson have been on the rolls of honor repeatedly at the whist tables of the American Whist League, and Atlantic Whist Association. Every one who has met Dr. Galtner, of the old Walbrook Club, can form a just opinion of his qualities, while Maj. Hinekey and Messrs. Jackson, Brown, and Jones are not without renown in their home town. Their play was even and well high perfect throughout the match.

The local team had as its nucleus the following eight men from the twelve cup winners: Dr. C. Burbank, Messrs. C. M. Davis, William O. Hutchinson, Williams, Dr. W. H. Merrill, Messrs. J. K. Polk, B. C. Talliferro, and H. V. Tulloch.

The match was played as three four-men teams from each side, the net trick score deciding contest. Washington's success was largely due to the excellent play of Messrs. Tulloch and Eynon, who by masterly skill and the use of all the fine points of finessing, underplaying, &c., rolled up the score of plus 13.

WASHINGTON.

Eynon and Tulloch.....+13
Townsend and Merrill.....+10
Williams and Hutchinson.....+5
Jones and Peck.....+3
Talliferro and Burbank.....+1
Farwell and Davis.....-6

BALTIMORE.
Hinekey and McCay.....+2
Jones and Brown.....+2
Galtner and Jackson.....+1
McCay and Tall.....+1
Smith and Johnson.....-7
McElldowney and Thomas.....-11

During the intermission the teams enjoyed a buffet luncheon.

All-Winter Baseball Planned.

Ball players will watch with the greatest of interest the attempt at Atlantic City to utilize a portion of Young's Pier as an indoor all-winter ball field. The matter has gone so far as the organization of an eight-team league, which is scheduled to play a series of fifty games for a pennant. A diamond has been painted on the floor, and a grandstand, capable of holding 1,500 fans, erected. It is just possible that, with a few changes in the rules, in order to accommodate the game to a hard, wood floor, it can be made a go, and the baseball fiend will have a chance to figure out batting averages and fielding chances for twelve months in the year.